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SUBJECT: JIU VACANCY NO. 77-023-60, RESEARCY OFFICER P-4/5

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1. WITH RESPECT TO VACANCY NO. 77-023-60, I LEARNED FROM EARL SOHM TODAY THAT 28 CANDIDATES ORIGINALLY SUBMITTED BY PERSONNEL SERVICE TO JIU HAVE BEEN REDUCED TO 12 AFTER AN INITIAL SCREENING BY MURRAY CHASE, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY TO JIU. THESE 12 NAMES INCLUDE TWO AMERICANS --D. KAY AND D. WILSON -- AS WELL AS TWO RUSSIANS -- V. ERSTIGNEEV (INTERPRETER IN GENEVA) AND V. VLASCOV (AN OFFICER IN THE SOVIET FOREIGN TRADE ORGANIZATION IN MOSCOW; FORMER COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR IN THE CENTRAL AFRICAN EMPIRE 1970-73 AND ADDIS ABABA 1958-59). THE RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR IN GENEVA IS REPORTEDLY PUSHING ERSTIGNEEV VERY HARD.

2. IN UNDERSTAND THAT THERE MAY BE A SUPPLEMENTARY LIST WHICH PERSONNEL SERVICE S SUBMITTING TO CHASEFOR FURTHER SCREENING IN WHICH CASE WE COULD FIND ANOTHER AMERICAN NAME AMONG THE PROBABLE CANDIDATES. ALTHOUGH THE JIU IS NOT BOUND TO CHOOSE FROM AMONG THE 12 NAMES SCREENED OUT BY MURRAY CHASE, THE PROBABILITY  
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IS THAT THE CHOICE WILL IN FACT BE MADE FROM THIS LIST, IN WHICH CASE WE HAVE TWO CANDIDATES, KAY AND WILSON, WHO ARE EMINENTLY QUALIFIED AND IN THE RUNNING.

3. SINCE BERTRAND IS PRESNETLY IN NEW YORK AND WILL NOT RETURN UNTIL EARLY JUNE, I PLAN TO SEEK AN APPOINTMENT NEXT WEEK WITH MURRAY CHASE WHO

WILL PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN MAKING THE FINAL DECISION.  
I PLAN TO PRESS HARD WITH CHASE, NOTING THAT THE USG  
MADE A MAJOR EFFORT TO GET EVALUTION AS PART OF  
JIU' ACTIVITIES AND THAT OUR DMINISTRATION AND CONGRESS  
ARE VITALLY INTERESTED IN THIS ASPECT OF THE UN'S  
OPERATIONS AND WE THEREFORE WANT TO SEE THE  
KIND OF QUALITY THAT OUR CANDIDATES REPRESENT.

4. I URGE -- AND EARL SOHM BELIEVES IT WOULD  
BE ADVANTAGEOUS AS WELL -- THAAT A SIMULTANEOUS APPROACH TO BE MADE  
IN NEW YORK TO BERTRAND, WHO CAN BE REACHED THROUGH  
THE OFFICE OF GEORGE DAVIDSON, UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL  
FOR ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT. SOHM CAUTIONS  
THAT BERTRAN IS SENSITIVE TO RANK, AND THAT FAIRLY HIGH  
LEVEL ATTENTION SHOULD BE PAID TO HIM IN MAKING THIS  
APPROACH IF WE ARE TO BE EFFECTIVE. DEPENDING UPON  
THE FEEDBACK WE GET THROUGH SOHM, I PROPOSE WE THEN  
DECIDE ON WHAT FURTHER STEPS TO TAKE.SORENSEN

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